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OVERVIEW

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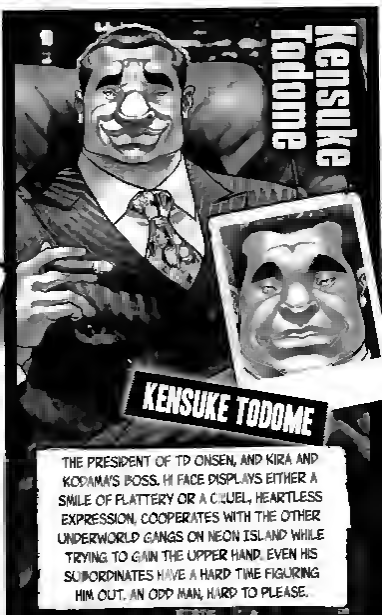
STORY

JAPAN IS NOW THE 51ST STATE OF THE USA. HOPE STILL SURVIVES ON NEON ISLAND, A MAN-MADE ISLAND IN TOKYO BAY. GANGS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD CONSTANTLY VIE FOR TURF ON NEON ISLAND TO EXPLOIT ITS LEGAL GAMBLING AND PROSTITUTION INDUSTRIES. THIS MANGA CENTERS ON TD ONSEN, NEON'S ONLY ESTABLISHMENT UNDER JAPANESE MANAGEMENT

Kiyoshi Kira
KIYOSHI KIRA
AN EXECUTIVE FOR THE SOLE JAPANESE GANG ON NEON ISLAND WITH A COVER IDENTITY OF MANAGER OF TD ONSEN. FORMERLY IN THE MARINE CORPS, HE FAVORS BRAINS OVER BRAWN. QUICK AND EFFICIENT, BUT RUTHLESS IN HIS WORK. AN EXPERT NEGOTIATOR OFTEN INVOLVED IN DANGEROUS MISSIONS. HIGHLY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND CHARISMATIC

Douji Kodama
DOUJI KODAMA
AN IMPORTANT SECURITY AGENT AT TD ONSEN HOTEL, WORKING WITH KIRA. A FORMER MARINE FROM THE SAME SQUAD AS KIRA. HIS BODY IS AS STRONG AS A WILD BEAST'S WITH A DEFT PAIR OF HANDS. HIS UNPREDICTABLE ACTIONS CAUSE ENDLESS PROBLEMS FOR HIS PARTNER KIRA.

NOT MERELY TODOME'S PERSONAL BODY GUARD, SHE HAS THE SKILLS OF A NINJA ASSASSIN, HIDING COUNTLESS WEAPONS UNDER THE SOFT FOLDS OF HER VICTORIAN FASHIONS. INSTANTLY AND MERCILESSLY DISPATCHES ALL ENEMIES. SILENT AND ALOOF TO OTHERS.. EXCEPT PERHAPS TO KODAMA?



THE PRESIDENT OF TD ONSEN, AND KIRA AND KODAMA'S BOSS. HI FACE DISPLAYS EITHER A SMILE OF FLATTERY OR A CUEL, HEARTLESS EXPRESSION, COOPERATES WITH THE OTHER UNDERWORLD GANGS ON NEON ISLAND WHILE TRYING TO GAIN THE UPPER HAND. EVEN HIS SUBORDINATES HAVE A HARD TIME FIGURING HIM OUT. AN ODD MAN, HARD TO PLEASE.

AN EXECUTIVE OF THE SIONE FAMIGLIA BASED IN NAPLES, ITALY HE GAINED THE NICKNAME RUNOVER AFTER FATALLY MOWING DOWN A TRAITOR WITH HIS WHEEL-CHAIR. HE IS IMPATIENT AND HEARTLESS, BUT SUPREMELY HONORAPLE, THUS, HE IS VERY RESPECTED BY HIS GANG MEMBERS.

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PUPPET
004

PUPPET IS A WOMAN?!
YOU ARE PUPPET?!
CE-LOTTI ...?
STRAY CAT?!

JUST AS ITS NAME, THE "VANISHING DISTANCE," IMPLIES, PUPPET'S MARTIAL ART TECHNIQUE NEUTRALIZES DISTANCE.
.....
JUST AS I THOUGHT!
ITS TRUE FORM IS DUAL EXTENDABLE BLADES!!

HOW-EVER...
...IF I CAN EVADE YOUR ELON-GATED SWORD TIPS...
!
...I CAN EXPLOIT AN OPEN-ING RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.
I CAN MASTER "DIS-TANCE!!"

?!
URGK!!

IM
MAK-
HAIL?

YOU ARE...
WHO?
WHO ARE YOU?!
MIKH--?!
STRAY CAT?!
WHIP-LASH
FA-THER!!
WAH!

THAT SLUT!!
STRAY CAT IS THAT GOD-DAMN PUP-PET?!
NO WONDER THAT SHITTY SURVEILLANCE CAMERA NEVER CAUGHT A FUCKIN' THING!!

Uwah!
THIS IS BAD!
SHIT

!
MR. KIRA!!
WO-OAH!
whoosh

FUCKING TRICKS! JUST A COUPLE O' COCK SUCKIN WEAPONS?!
MOTHER-FUCKING BASTARD!! VANISHING DISTANCE? HA!

BOOM
BOOM
BOOM

clench
!
HAH!
FUCKIN' HILARIOUS!!

!
SNIK!

thud
.....

……
KIP
PWAH!
SAFE AND SOUND. ♥
IT'S YOURS TRULY, AND GOD BLESS YA.
<har-har>
Hellsing

I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF DISGUISES.
I GOTTA SAY, KIRA-CHAN,
IT'S TOO HOT IN THAT MASK.
THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK,
(smirk)
PRESIDENT TODOME.
.....
KIRA KIYOSHI.
!

THE ONLY ONE WE NEED ALIVE IS THE MAN CALLED HAPPY MEAL, RIGHT?
EXACTLY THIS ♡ GUY, HAPPY MEAL.
I BELIEVE HE'LL SPREAD SOME INTERESTING RUMORS ABOUT PUPPET.
POINT IS, HE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING HE DESERVES TO DIE FOR
(smile)

(Sigh)
WHY DID WE NEED TO GO THROUGH ALL THE TROUBLE TO CREATE A FALSE KILLER?!
BUT I STILL DON'T GET IT.
BECAUSE LEGENDS AND MYTHS HAVE A SPECIAL KIND OF EFFECT.
JUST BY CIRCULATING THE RUMORS OF THE TERRORS OF PUPPET,
AT THE VERY LEAST, IT'LL CUT THE NUMBER OF TRAITORS IN OUR ORGANIZATION BY TWO THIRDS

THAT'S PRECISELY TRUE, AKEMI-CHAN. ♥
JUST LIKE THE LEGEND...
...WHAT HAP-PENS TO BAD KIDS?"
...DO KNOWN AS "SKINNED ALIVE."?
.....
PUPPET
BESIDES, TD ONSEN HOTEL OWNS THE DISTRI-BUTION RIGHTS FOR THE COMIC PUPPET.
THESE RUMORS WILL SEND SALES SKYROCKETING. WE'LL RAKE IN A FORTUNE! ♥
YOU COULD CALL THIS PART OF THE CREATIVE PRO-CESS. (smile)

IF THIS RUMOR CIRCULATES IN RIVAL GAMBLING CITIES LIKE LAS VEGAS, ATLANTIC CITY, AND MACAU...
...THIS WILL BE GREAT PUBLICITY FOR NEON ISLAND.
SUCH INTENSE EXCITEMENT!
<smile>
HMPH.
SUCH AN AWFUL SCHEME.
Grrrr!!

...KODAMA DOUJI.
THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN TRYING TO TELL YOU.
PUP-PET?!
Grrr... (angry)
PUPPET IS MERELY A FICTIONAL FREAK
IT IS MEANING-LESS TO FIGHT HIM
I'M STRONGER!! AND MORE NIMBLE.
Grr

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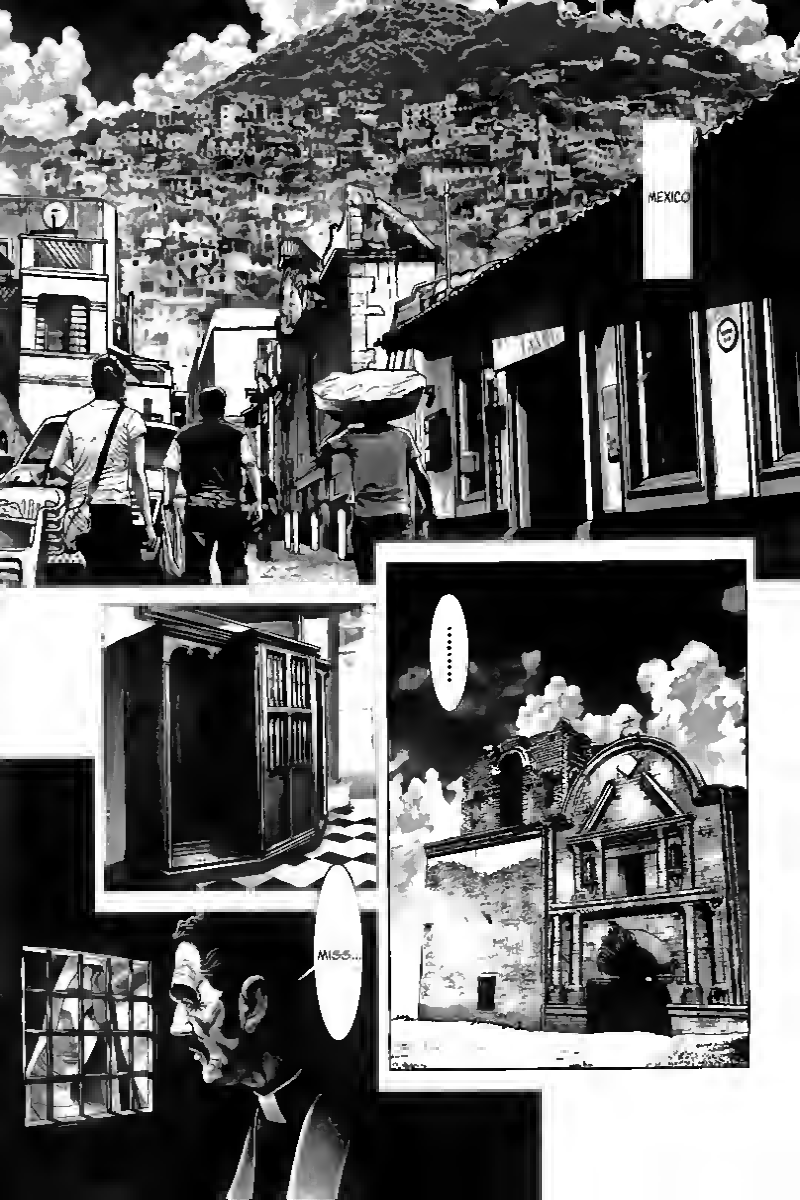
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.....
MISS...

MISS LALA BANDERAS.
.....
IT'S A SHAME.
I'M AFRAID YOUR BUDGET
IS INSUFFICIENT TO HIRE DECENT BODYGUARDS.
NO
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SOME-
HOW, THIS
GUY MANAGES
TO SURVIVE THE
MOST INCREDI-
BLY PERILOUS
SITUATIONS,
ALTHOUGH HE
HAS BARELY
SURVIVED ALL
HIS INJURIES.
HE'S
UNBE-
LIEV-
ABLE.
WELL...
ACCORDING
TO OUR
INFORMATION,
HE DOESN'T
STAND OUT IN
ANY WAY

WHAT
IS HE
LIKE?

.....

CARE
TO BET
ON HIS
LUCK?
SO?

!
LALA,
IF POS-
SIBLE, I
HOPE
YOU'LL
PUT THE
PAST
BEHIND
YOU

I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL.
AFTER ALL, YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH THAT PAINFUL EXPERIENCE
BUT...
...YOUR PLAN IS FUTILE, EVEN IF YOU COULD HIRE A COUPLE BODYGUARDS.
.....
IT'S A RECKLESS MOVE TO CONFRONT THE SANTORO FAMILY

FATHER!!
LALA
LALA BANDERAS.
UH... UFOH...

LET ME MAKE THIS CLEAR.
I TAKE THE GREATEST PRIDE IN MY COMPASSION.
HOWEVER, I WILL ELIMINATE ANY WHO STAND AGAINST ME.
SO NOW I HAVE A DILEMMA. I AM A COMPASSIONATE PERSON, AND AT THE SAME TIME, A VERY PROUD MAN.
BUT NOW,
LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR CHARMING QUALITIES.
MISS LALA,
YOU ARE FASCINATING.
ALSO, I CAN SEE THE REAL YOU BEHIND YOUR CHARMS.

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN WATCHING YOU FROM AFAR.
...THIS SOFT, PURE, SEDUCTIVE BODY.
AT THE SAME TIME, YOU HAVE FIRM ATHLETIC MUSCLES. I CAN FEEL
YOUR DETERMI-NATION, YOUR RESOLU-TION.
"TENDER-NESS" AND "STRENGTH."
WHAT A MIRACLE THAT SUCH CON-TRADICTORY QUALITIES COEXIST IN THE SAME BODY
ABSO-LUTELY, THIS IS THE QUIN-TESSENCE OF CHARM
I WILL SAY THIS AGAIN:
I AM A COMPAS-SIONATE MAN.
BEAU-TIFUL LALA...
...YOU'LL BECOME MRS. ORLANDO SANTORO - MY WIFE.

!
FA-
BESIDES, I AM COM-PASSIONATE ENOUGH TO NOT KILL YOUR FAMILY...
Ahn
I WILL GIVE YOU TIME TO CONSIDER THIS THOR-OUGHLY
Until the end of summer
FATHER!!
...YOUR SO-CALLED FAMILY.

MISS LALA,
PLEASE, JUST GET AS FAR AWAY AS YOU CAN.
I WILL NOT RUN!
INSTEAD, I WANT TO BE AS GREAT AS MY FATHER
JUST LIKE MY FATHER, WHO WAS A SECURITY AGENT,
...I WILL NOT YIELD TO EVIL!!
LALA...

MAY GOD BLESS YOU
FLICK
FLICK
Shit!

DAMN LIGHTER!
!

Hey! Senor!!
.....
CARE TO GIVE ME A LIGHT?

?
RAHHHH!!
BRING IT OVER!
WILL YOU REFUEL MY LIGHTER?
OH, THANKS.
USADOS

Zippo
Click
No
SNAP
HEY!!
!
WHAT THE HECK?!
Stash

!!
HEY!!
SCRAM, SCARE-CROW!!
B-BASTARD!

...?!
!
HMM?!
I WILL NOT TOLER-ATE..

DON'T GIVE ME ANY TROUBLE!!
THIS MAN IS MY GUEST.
ANYONE DISTURBING THE PEACE IN THIS TOWN!!

HEY, BABY!
SUCH HUGE TITS!! YOU ARE ONE ♥ HOT CHICK. YOU KNOW THAT?
?

BASTARD!!
eject

IN...
IN-
CREDI-
BLE...
no!
DO YOU WANT ME TO TAKE CARE OF YOU, TOO?!

YOU ARE A BODY-GUARD?
With your wimpy body?
L-LET ME MAKE THIS CLEAR,
I WAS ABOUT TO THRASH EVERY ONE OF THEM!
W... WHAT?!
?!
Ch'a!!
.....
I JUST HAPPEN TO BE MORE BRAINS THAN BRAWN!!
ARE YOU LOOKING DOWN ON ME?!
WHAT'S WITH THAT "NEVER MIND"?!
W-WAIT!!
NEVER MIND! COME ON, MY HOME IS THIS WAY!

WOW!
HM.
I'M HOME
WELCOME BACK SIS!
HEY!
!
YOU'RE A GREAT ARTIST, YOUNG MAN.
RIGHT NOW, HE'S ABOUT TO TEACH THE BAD GUYS A LESSON
THIS IS MY DADDY
HE-HE THANKS A BUNCH, MISTER

PINO!!
YEAH! THAT WILL BE GREAT! ♡
HEY, COOL! WOULD YOU LIKE TO PAINT A PICTURE OF ME?
YEAH, YEAH. I KNOW.
...PAINTING IS A WASTE OF TIME!!
IF YOU WANT TO GET AS STRONG AS FATHER..
TSK
THIS WOMAN IS OVER-BEARING.

LALA BAN-DERAS...
LALA?
PRESI-DENT!
HIRED A BODY-GUARD?
.....
REALLY...?

LIFE—
—NO, LOVE — IS FULL OF OBSTACLES.
THERE WILL ALWAYS BE SOMEONE OPPOSING ME,
AND PRETTY WOMEN JUST DON'T THINK THINGS THROUGH.
Although it is unthinkable...
.....
NEVER MIND.
I'LL TEACH BEAUTIFUL LALA A LESSON...

...BY KILLING ...
...HER BODY-GUARD!!

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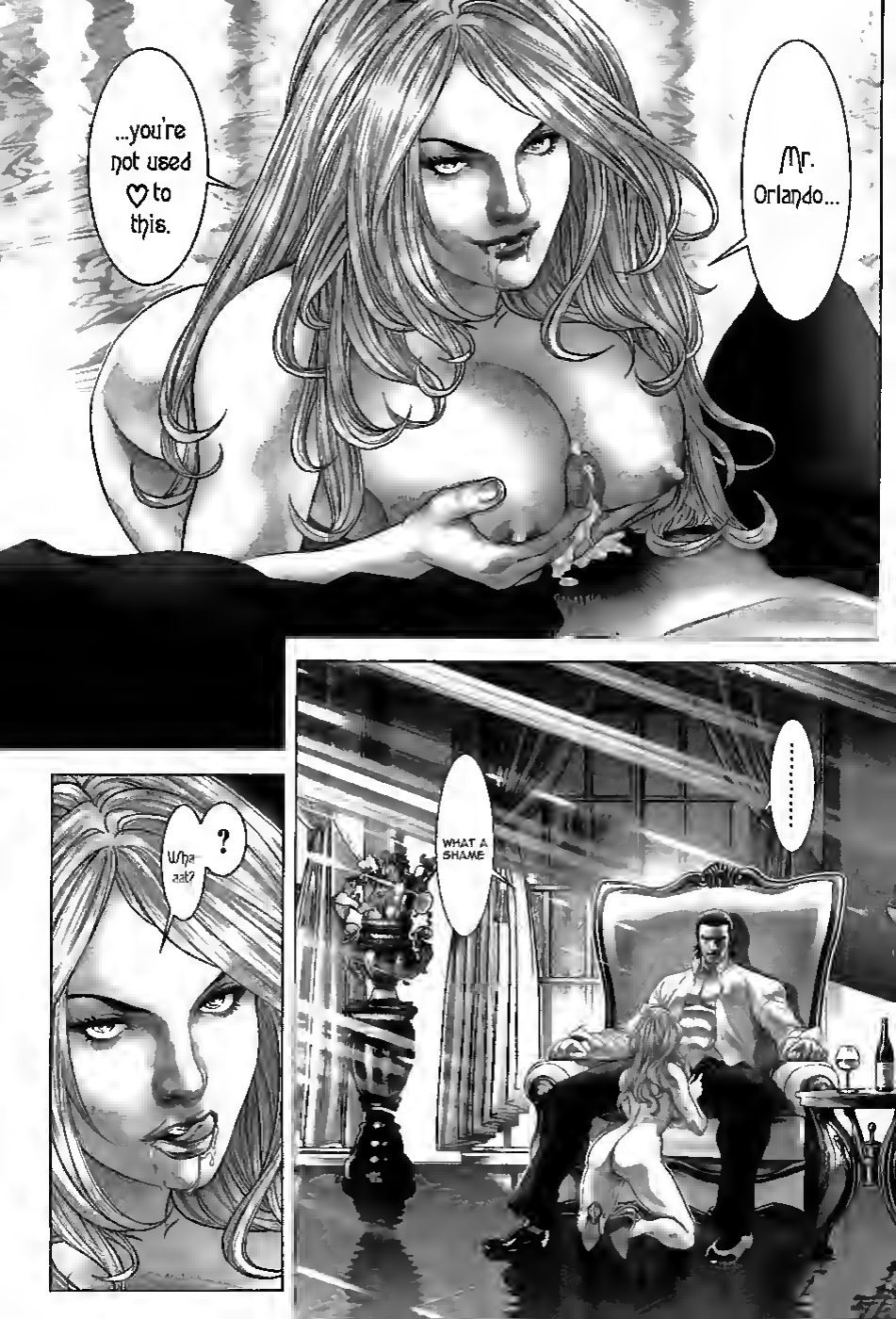
HNNG
Mmmm.
He-he-he.


Mr. Orlando...
...you're not used ♡ to this.
.....
WHAT A SHAME
What?
?

HOW DISAP-POINT-ING.
.....
.....

WHOA.
YOU'RE REALLY SOME-THING!
BY THE LOOKS OF IT.
!
YOUR TURN.
HEY!
ARE YOU TESTING ME?
Even though I'm an expert?!
I WOULD STILL LIKE TO GAUGE YOUR LEVEL.
ALTHOUGH I DON'T EXPECT MUCH FROM A BODY GUARD WITH YOUR TRACK RECORD, BUT I WOULD STILL LIKE TO SEE FOR MYSELF
AHEM?!

FEAST YOUR EYES ON JOHNNY THE GREAT, THE BEST SHARP-SHOOTER OF THE US MARINE CORPS INFANTRY!
(fibbing)
VERY WELL!
HMM!
FROM THE LOOKS OF HIS STANCE, MAYBE HE'S GOOD

BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG
peek
.....

T-THAT'S WEIRD!!
NO, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT MY SKILL.
IT MUST BE THE GUN!!
ERM... IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH ITS SIGHTS?
DID YOU MAINTAIN IT PROPERLY?! IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO TAKE CARE OF A GUN.
.....
ADMIRAL JOHNNY...
...ARE YOU...A MORON?!
WHAT ??

MY MIND IS INCREDIBLY BRAINY!! I AM A BORN STRATEGIST!
I'VE JUST TOLD YOU!!
WHO ARE YOU CALLING A MORON!? I'LL KILL YOU, LALA BANDERAS!!
WHAT?!
.....
Uh.
YOUR "MIND IS BRAINY?"
NO INTELLIGENT PERSON WOULD SAY THAT!
In fact, it sounds downright idiotic.
B-BITCH!!

MY BRILLIANCE IS VERY BRIGHT! MY SHARPNESS IS KEEN!
THAT'S NOT IDIOTIC!!
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH MY "BRAINY MIND"!!
.....
DAMN
!!
NEVER MIND! I CAN USE YOU AS A SHIELD AT THE VERY LEAST.

Pfft!!
ACTING ALL HIGH AND MIGHTY
ACT AS TOUGH AS YOU WANT, BUT YOU'RE STILL A WOMAN! THAT "REBELLIOUS LOOK" JUST PROVES MY POINT. HEH-HEH
Sur-prised
JUST WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?!
HUMPH! AM I WRONG?!
A MAFIA SQUIRT FROM THE COUNTRY-SIDE IS ENOUGH TO SCARE YOU SO BAD. YOU HAVE TO HIRE A BODYGUARD WHAT A SIGHT (LOL)!!

WHA-A-A...? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
IT NEVER CROSSED YOUR MIND THAT THEY CAN DO THEIR BUSINESS MUCH BETTER IF THEY ARE HEADQUARTERED IN THE JUNGLE?
YOU DIMWIT!
AND YOU CALL YOURSELF A STRATEGIST?!
ISN'T A SECLUDED LOCATION MORE CONVENIENT FOR AN UNDERGROUND MARKET?
THE LOCAL GANGS TRADE DRUGS IN RETURN
WHEN YOU AMERICANS SELL YOUR WEAPONS HERE
ORLANDO SANTORO IS A TERRIFYING MAN
JOHNNY YOU UNDERESTIMATE THAT MAN
TSK. STUCK UP WOMAN!
.....

IT WORKED AND THE REMAINING TWO DOZEN OFFICERS ALL RESIGNED.
THE NEXT MORNING, THE HEADS OF THE EXECUTED OFFICERS WERE DISPLAYED ON THE STREETS AS A LESSON TO THE REST.
THE LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS WHO WANTED TO TAKE HIM DOWN WERE CAPTURED AND EXECUTED
.....
FUR-THER-MORE...
.....
...WAS KILLED BY THAT MAN.
...MY GREAT FATHER...
...THE GUARD WHO FOUGHT SINGLE-HANDED TO THE BITTER END...

...IS THAT FOR REAL?
IS...
AS FOR US...
ORLANDO SINTORO IS THE CZAR OF THIS TOWN
OWNS THIS TOWN
REMEMBER THIS, JOHNNY!
WE ARE GOING TO CONFRONT THE EMPEROR OF THIS PLACE!
PRE-

W-WHAT IS GOING ON?
...PRESIDENT
(Sigh...)
WHAT A SHAME.
.....
HUH? UHH, NO
CARLOS, DO YOU KNOW THE RITUAL FOR SEX?
RULES ARE ESSENTIAL FOR EVERY-THING IN THIS WORLD.
EVEN FOR SOME-THING AS MEANING-LESS AS SEXUAL INTER-COURSE.

IT'S BASED ON MUTUAL ADORATION, AND MUST BE MODEST AT HEART
BUT THIS WOMAN WAS ARROGANT ENOUGH TO WANT TO CONTROL ME
AFTER ASKING ME ABOUT MY FETISH, SHE DARED TO LAUGH AT ME.
HOW INSOLENT.
I HOPE THAT SHE IS NOT THE SAME
"SHE?"
SUM-MER IS END-ING.
I'VE GIVEN HER MORE THAN ENOUGH TIME.
I WILL SEE THE BEAUTIFUL Lilia...
Shit!
I WILL MEET HER AFTER DAWN.

THIS WOMAN IS ♥ IRRE-SISTIBLE
Shit!
Shit!
Shit!
!
LALA BANDERAS ♡
gulp

?!
FA
THER..
A
BUTTERFLY
TATTOO
LALA..
FATHER..

I WILL PROTECT YOU!!
!!
LALA...
LALA!!
LALA!

LALA...
LALA BAN-DERAS,
.....
...I WILL...
..PRO-TECT YOU!!!

BLEED
.....
.....
ARGH!

M-MISTER?!
DA-DAMN.
JOHNNY, YOU ARE A TRUE IDIOT!!

Idiot.
Idiot.
Idiot.
Idiot.
Idiot.
JOHNNY...
...YOU ARE SUCH AN IDIOT.
(amirk)

DAMN!
FLICK
FLICK
DAMN
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK

DAM-
MIT!!

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Idiot.
Idiot
Idiot.
Idiot.
Idiot.
Idiot.
DUMB-ASS
JOHNNY YOU ARE AN ABSO-LUTE
POOP SPEWING EVERY-WHERE JUST LIKE A GEYSER
IT WAS POOP.
FUCK!!
I...
NOO OOO!

MORONS ALL THE TIME!!
.....
...ARE THE MORONS!!
THEY...
I DON'T MIND GIVING YOU A LITTLE ADVICE
THAT'S BECAUSE...
WHETHER IT'S YOUR MONEY OR YOUR LIVES, EVERYTHING BELONGS TO ME!
CHEERS.
IT WAS A GLORIOUS REVELATION TO ME.
(sip)
I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT THEY WERE SHITHEADS!!
THIS OLD MAN IS A MASTER OF THE DRUNKEN FIST TECHNIQUE
9

WAIT!
HOLD ON A MINUTE!! I REMEMBER!
ALL THIS TIME, I'VE BEEN CALLING THEM STUPID.
BUT WAIT. THAT'S NOT MY STYLE!
I WAS FORCED TO RESPOND THIS WAY!
IF YOU CALL SOMEONE STUPID, IT MEANS YOU ARE STUPID!!
KIRA KIYOSHI IS ALWAYS PICKING ON THIS WEAKNESS.
SO THIS IS HOW IT IS!
THOSE WHO CALL OTHERS "IDIOTS" ARE IDIOTS!!

YES, JOHNNY?
PINO...
!
HEY, KID!!
...CAN YOU DO ME A FAVOR?

screech
LALA PANDERAS.
LA-LA

I ADVISE YOU TO BE A GOOD GIRL. COME BE MY WIFE!
WHY DO YOU FIGHT BACK SO RECK-LESSLY? YOU KNOW THAT YOU HAVE NO CHANCE OF WINNING
YOU NEED WISDOM, TOO
IN THIS WORLD, YOU CAN'T RELY ON BEAUTY TO SUR-VIVE.
BEAUTIFUL LALA,
I'M HERE FOR JUS-TICE!!
THIS FIGHT IS NOT JUST A MATTER OF STRENGTH!!
...YOU'RE TRULY MAGNIFI-CENT.
OH, LALA...

!!

LALA!!
RELOAD
SKKK!
WILL NOT LET YOU DIE!!

ЧЯЁН?
ААНК!

!!
JOHN
FA-
FATHER...
FATHER
JOHN
...WISDOM IS ESSENTIAL.
I REPEAT...
BEAUTIFUL LALA.
YOUR JUSTICE IS MEANINGLESS, EVEN IF YOU HIRE TRASH LIKE HIM TO OPPOSE ME.
JUSTICE? HA. IT'S SO VULNERABLE.

YOU CAN'T RELY ON MERE BEAUTY TO SURVIVE
.....
BEAUTIFUL, BEAUTIFUL LALA, REMEMBER THAT I TOLD YOU THAT I'M A MERCIFUL MAN
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE MORE DAY TO RECONSIDER
THINK CAREFULLY IF YOU DON'T WISH TO END UP LIKE THIS MAN
I BELIEVE YOU'RE AN INTELLIGENT WOMAN
vroom
DAMN!!
I GOT BLOOD ON MY SUIT
JOHNNY?
INCREDIBLE!!

...YOU THOUGHT
THAT I WAS JUST A NITWIT, DIDN'T YOU?!
ORLANDO SANTORO.
YES, SIR
GET SOME-ONE TO MAKE ME A NEW ONE
I LIKE THIS SUIT

OF COURSE I WEAR A BULLET-PROOF VEST!!
I'M A PROFES-SIONAL BODY-GUARD!
TSK BUT YOU THREW UP SO MUCH BLOOD!
HOW?!
YOU?!

WELL THEN,
LET ROUND TWO BEGIN!
THERE IS A PIGMENT KNOWN AS VERMILION
WITH JUST A DROP OF BLACK ADDED,
IT LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE BLOOD
BASTARD!!
!!
YOU? HUH?!
IS HE DEAD?!

ORLANDO SANTORO...
HOW?!
WHAT?
...YOU THOUGHT THAT I WAS AN IMBECILE, DIDN'T YOU?!
...AGAIN, JUST NOW...
S-STOP THIS!!!
LISTEN CAREFULLY!
...IS A TALENTED ARTIST.
...HE REALLY...
PINO BANDERAS.
SNAP

IF YOU THINK SOMEONE'S STUPID, IT MEANS YOU ARE STUPID!!
ACTUALLY, I'VE JUST ADDED A NEW PLOT TWIST.
I CAME UP WITH IT JUST LIKE THAT!
EVERY ONE WILL SEE
THAT I DIDN'T KILL YOU. YOU DIED IN A GUNFIGHT WITH YOUR OWN CARTEL!
AND THAT'S
THE REASON I SHOT YOU WITH YOUR OWN GUNS

YOU WON'T MIND IF I TAKE JUST A BIT.
YOU WERE KILLED BY YOUR OWN GREEDY SUB-ORDINATES.
THIS MONEY, AFTER ALL, IS OF DUBIOUS ORIGIN.

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU ♥...

.....
,THAT I HAVE A BRAINY MIND. ☆
I HAVE A BRAINY MIND. I'M THE CALM, COMPOSED TYPE. ♪
AFTER ALL...
LET'S PUT ♥ ASIDE OUR DIFFERENCES
I WON'T MAKE A FUSS ABOUT THE RUDE WORDS YOU USED, LALA BANDERAS.
DON'T WORRY

SO...
...BE MY WOMAN, LILA!
.....
WHAT?
I AM SAYING THAT I WANT TO KISS YOU!
JUST LIKE...
...THAT BUTTERFLY ON YOUR BACK.
A LITTLE KISS.
Smooch Smooch ♥

ALL DONE. ♡
HEY, SISTER
!
.....
HOW CAN I [illegible] HIM?
WON'T YOU...
...MARRY JOHNNY?

THAT GUY IS SUCH A FLIRT!
Shhh
!
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK
FLICK

ADMIRAL JOHNNY'S CURRENT INJURIES:
HIS RIGHT EYE AND LEFT CHEEKBONE ARE BADLY BRUISED BY LALA BANDERAS.
BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, HE DOES NOT NEED A HOSPITAL.
♡

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THE FOURTH APPLE?
.....
Pomum computer
YES. ♡
THE FOURTH ♡ APPLE, WHICH WILL CHANGE THE WORLD.
*POMUM MEANS APPLE IN LATIN T/N: A PARODY OF MACBOOK?
THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT THAT WILL BESTOW KNOWLEDGE
POMUM
POMUM COMPUTAR

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NEON ISLAND
TD ONSEN HOTEL

ZZZ…
ZZZ…
ZZZ…

ZZZ...
HM...
?!
sit up
.....?

unsheathe
!

FREEZE!!
.....
whoosh
!!
WHY IS THERE A WOMAN IN THIS THICK FOREST?
DAMN. WHAT'S GOING ON!?

W-
WHAT?!
DAMN!!
!
?!
HOLD YOUR FIRE!!
STOP! CEASE FIRE!!

キル
キル
キル

rustle
DAMN!! WHO IS THAT WOMAN? SHE'S FLYING!!
WHOA.
!!
whoosh
WHERE'D SHE DIS-APPEAR TO?

WAIT! DON'T CUT HIM!!
JUST WHO ARE YOU?!
HEY, YOU WITH THE COPPER SKIN, JUST NOW
YOU ORDERED THE OTHERS TO HOLD THEIR FIRE, DIDN'T YOU?
SO I TAKE IT YOU GUYS ARE ALL CAPTIVES HERE TOO?

.....
WE FOUND OURSELVES IN THIS THICK FOREST.
YES! YES, THAT'S RIGHT! IS IT THE SAME FOR YOU?
.....
JUST HOW DID YOU GUYS END UP HERE?
EXPLAIN EVERYTHING CLEARLY

KOYAMA DOUJI RESI-DENCE
KIRA!
IF YOU'RE NOT EATING, GIVE IT ALL TO ME.
HMPH.

AKARI HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE LAST NIGHT
NO...
WHAT?! YOU ARE GONNA EAT THAT?
I'VE INSTALLED TRACKERS ON THE MAIN EMPLOYEES OF TO ONSEN HOTEL
WHEN I CHECKED THE RECORDS I NOTICED THAT SHE SUDDENLY WENT MISSING
UMM THAT'S NOT WHAT I WAS ASKING YOU
EH?
SURE, GO AHEAD
Kira-a-a-a. I want your fooood.
I'VE ASKED THE PRESIDENT, AND HE HAS NO CLUE EITHER
THE TRACKING DEVICE EITHER MALFUNCTIONED SUDDENLY OR IS TOO FAR AWAY FOR US TO READ ITS SIGNAL.

HEY!
WHAT'S WRONG, KODAMA?
ZZZ...
Mmmmmm
Mmmmm

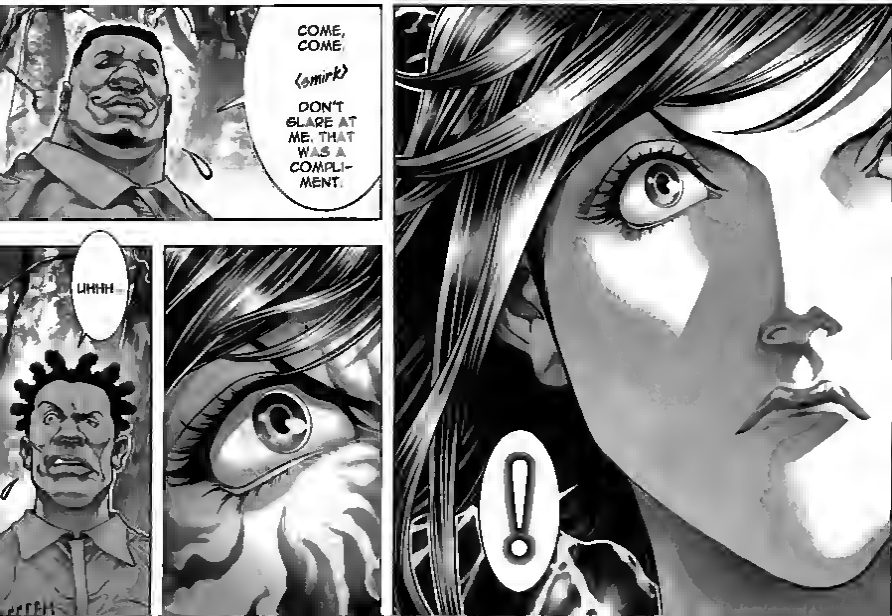
ZZZ...
WHY ARE YOU SLEE...
...?.....
ZZ...

HEY
YEAH?
THAT SHORT GORILLA USES THIS GLOCK RIGHT?
YES
IF THAT'S THE ONLY GUN AROUND, IT'S GOTTA BE THAT ONE
.....
BUT THIS GUY...
NNN...
IS HE REALLY STRONG ENOUGH TO BE CHOSEN?!
EVEN I CAN KILL HIM.
(snicker)
NNN...
I SEE...

FROM WHAT YOU GUYS HAVE SAID...
, YOU DON'T KNOW WHY YOU ENDED UP IN THIS SITUATION
YES, WE'RE COMPLETELY BAFFLED
WE TOOK A BREAK IN OUR TENT DURING TRAINING,
AND WHEN WE WOKE UP, THERE WERE ONLY THE THREE OF US, AND WE WERE IN THESE DEEP WOODS
!!
AH-HA! ♡
WAIT!
WHO?!

HOLD IT, DON'T SHOOT!
I'M IN THE SAME BOAT AS Y'ALL.
BUT I STARTED OUT SLEEPING IN A PRISON CELL.
SPEAK-ING OF WHICH
(laugh)
YOU COULD SAY WE'RE A SORRY BAND OF MISFITS IN A SORRY SITUA-TION
I SURE NEVER THOUGHT I'D HAVE THE HONOR TO SERVE TIME WITH A POUND CAKE

*"POUND CAKE" IS SLANG FOR ATTRACTIVE YOUNG WOMAN.



WHAT?

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I'M AN EASY-GOING MAN. JOIN ME NOW!
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WHAT?

WHAT IS IT?
...?!
HUH?
!!

ザッ
ザッ
tHud!

Clank!
DAMN!!
WHOA!
.....
BUT...

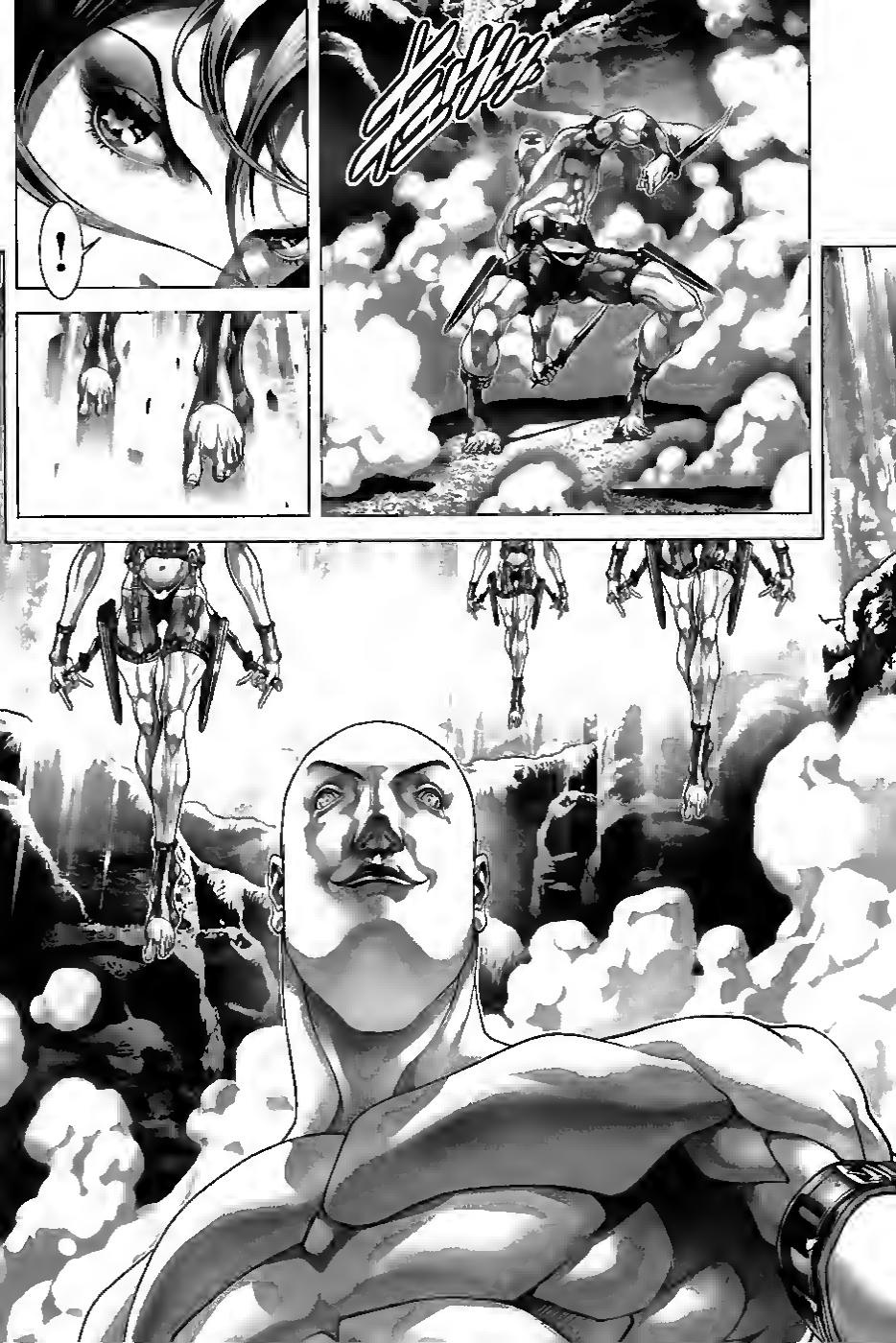
SNICK
ZZZZooo
EVEN I CAN KILL THIS GUY
(snicker)

THUMP
HUH?
NNN...
Z
NNNN...
WAS IT A COINCI-DENCE?!
B-BUT HOW? T-THAT KID SHOULD BE UNCON-SCIOUS
HEY, YOU!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

DON'T WAKE THEM UP!
BE CAREFUL MOVING THEM
I KNOW. I GET IT.
TIGHTEN THE STRAPS!!
AFTER ALL, THEY ARE—
THE CHOSEN ONES.

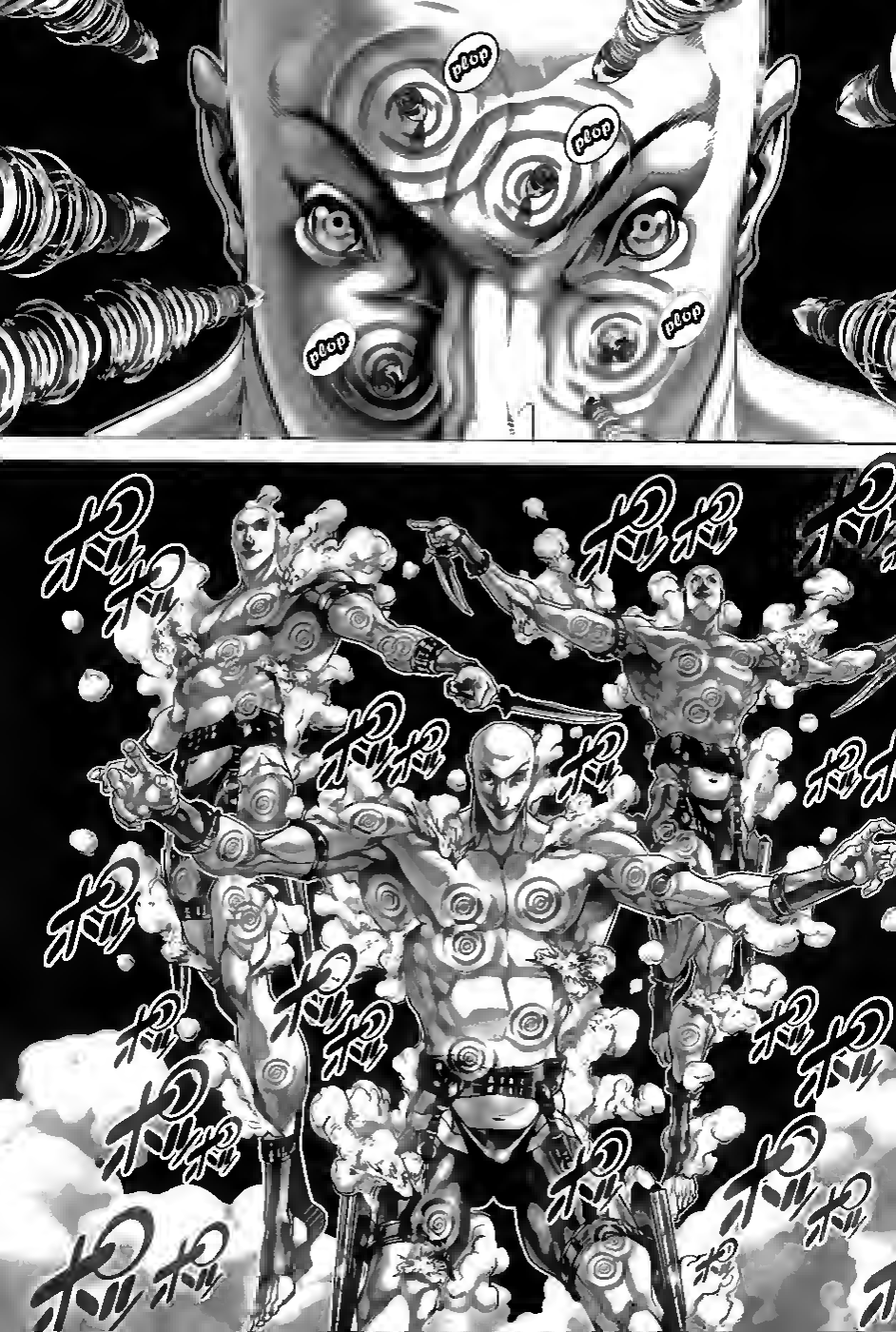
PLOP

IS...?
IS HE DEAD?!
!
.....
NO
NOT YET!



HOLY...
HOLY CRAP!!

FIRE!!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SHIT!!
.....

!
ボン

YOUR MAJESTY MIMIR...

THE CAVE GIANTS' BATTLE ENDED QUICKLY...
WHAT A SHAME.
.....
YOUR MAJESTY?
KNOWLEDGE RECRUITS VIOLENCE TO OBTAIN GREATER POWER
YET, DESPITE GAINING FAME, KNOWLEDGE PAYS THE PRICE IT LOSES ITS MAJESTIC FAITH, BECOMING A MARIONETTE OF HYPOCRISY
THINGS NEVER GO ACCORDING TO HUMAN DESIRES

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Aim

AKARI

...HOW LONG CAN YOU HOLD YOUR BREATH UNDER WATER?
.....
15 MINUTES. ♡
UNDERSTOOD.

ARE YOU HURT?
NOT MUCH

LET'S GO.
?
WHERE TO?
TO THE TOP OF THE MOUN-TAIN ON THIS ISLAND.
KIRA IS WAITING FOR US THERE.

.....
WELL THEN.
TIME FOR OUR COUNTER-ATTACK.
♡
AND WE'LL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS.

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